

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 672

Introduced by Assembly Member Klehs

February 17, 2005

An act to amend Section 115825 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to reservoirs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 672, as introduced, Klehs. Reservoirs with water intended for domestic use: recreational use.

Existing law prohibits the recreational use of reservoirs where water is stored for domestic use to include recreation in which there is bodily contact with the water by a participant. The law exempts certain reservoirs from this prohibition and sets forth certain conditions and restrictions to ensure water purity.

This bill would exclude certain recreational activity from the prohibition against bodily contact with the water in a reservoir containing water intended for domestic use, including, but not limited to, fishing and canoeing, and hiking in areas adjacent to the reservoir.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 115825 of the Health and Safety Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 115825. (a) It is hereby declared to be the policy of this state
- 4 that multiple use should be made of all public water within the
- 5 state, to the extent that multiple use is consistent with public
- 6 health and public safety.

1 (b) Except as provided in this article, recreational uses shall
2 not, with respect to a reservoir in which water is stored for
3 domestic use, include recreation in which there is bodily contact
4 with the water by any participant.

5 (c) *Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, this article*
6 *does not prohibit the following recreational uses:*

7 (1) *Hiking in the areas adjacent to the reservoir.*

8 (2) *Bike riding in the areas adjacent to the reservoir.*

9 (d) *Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, this article*
10 *does not prohibit any of the following recreational activities, nor*
11 *does it prohibit bodily contact with the water that is reasonably*
12 *necessary for any of the following recreational activities:*

13 (1) *Fishing.*

14 (2) *Kayaking.*

15 (3) *Canoeing.*